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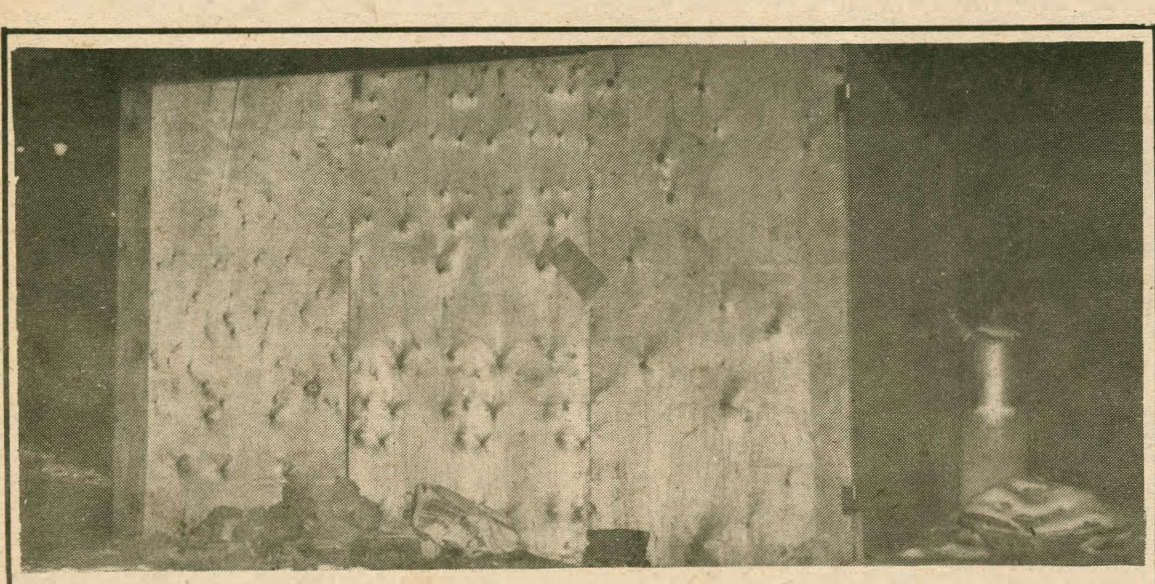

What is this odd structure at the bottom of the Hill?
. . .The new Bundy annex?
. . .President Caravano's office?
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Crowd Fills Chapel For Hoffman

A. K. A. "Barry Freed"

by Matthew Reed Zucker

An enthusiastic audience filled the Chapel this Monday to hear ex-Yippie and self-styled "community organizer" Abbie Hoffman speak for over an hour on topics ranging from the 60's to the power of the media.

The lecture was sponsored by the Root-Jessup Affairs Council. A reception, sponsored by the Keehn Coop, was held afterwards in the Bristol Campus Center.

Chris Behan, '83, who had met Hoffman over the summer and became friends with him while working at his house in Pineview NY, introduced him as "my friend, Barry Freed." Hoffman had used the name Barry Freed while spending six years eluding New York State authorities, by whom he was wanted on charges stemming from his 1977 arrest for possession of cocaine.

Hoffman prefaced his remarks by expressing his relief at finding out that "Hamilton [is] not in Hamilton, New York." He continued to relate an anecdote concerning a 1971 speaking engagement he had made, with members of the rock group, Jefferson Airplane, at Colgate University. "These were the old days," he said, "We came up [to the Colgate Chapel] in a car, and were being escorted by police in the front, and police in the back. It seems that the football team, wearing their red jerseys — you could tell they were individuals by their numbers — had encircled the entire Chapel. I think they were called the Moral Majority then, too."

"It was raining," Hoffman continued, "and I was getting pretty frustrated. I had made a commitment to speak — and I hate being late. I said "Paul [Kantner, of the Jefferson Airplane], give me your dagger." He carried this old German thing, I thought it was just a prop. I went up to the Colgate football team and said "We're coming through!" There was a big scuffle, and I held the knife up, all of a sudden, and it was all bloody! They took one look at it, and they all yelled "Blood!" I guess you'd call what they did an end around."

"Anyway, we got in and onto the stage. I was bleeding and carrying this knife. I had my handkerchief — which was red, white, and blue at the time — and I was wiping my leg, and wrapping it up with it. Well, we had a real good discussion there anyway, and when I got back to New York, the District Attorney from Hamilton filed charges against me for desecration of the flag, obscene and indecent exposure, using lewd and lascivious language, and attempted murder. Against the entire football team. My lawyer said to him, "Do you want him to come back?" The D.A. said, "I see your point." It ended up with him saying "He is banned from Hamilton for the rest of his life." But I'm back!"

Hoffman then asked in his informal, but lively style, "Who is Abbie Hoffman? Some say that he's a good guy; some say he's a commie spy; some say that he's a candy bar. When you've read about me or talked about me, it all came

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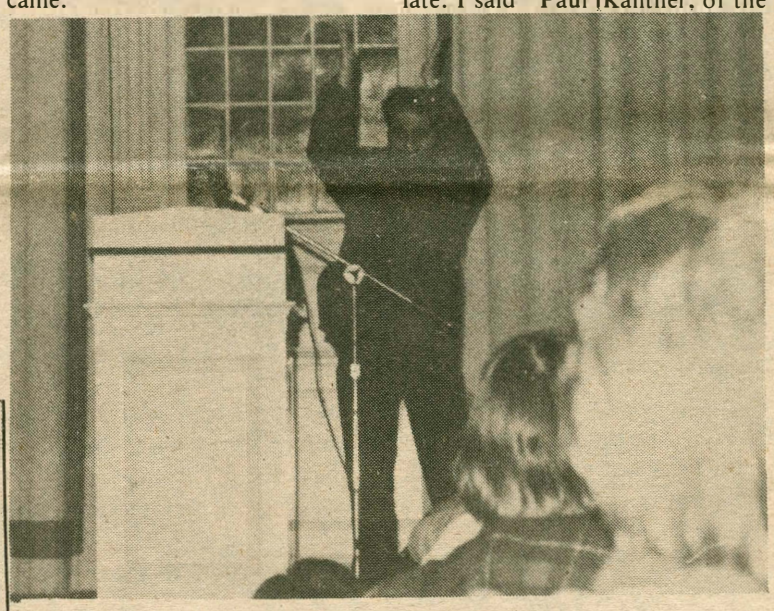

Abbie Hoffman speaking in the Chapel

Hazing Law Amended

by Matthew Lechner

The New York Senate-Assembly recently amended the Education Law concerning conduct on college campuses; though not explicitly mentioned, the main idea is to prevent hazing, and Hamilton has amended its own bylaws to accommodate this new law.

The amendment to the new law requires that colleges prohibit "any action or situation which recklessly or intentionally endangers mental or physical health or involves the forced consumption of liquor or drugs for the purpose of initiation into or affiliation with any organization." Penalties for violations by any organization include the "recission of permission for that organization to operate on campus property." The law requires that copies of the regulations be distributed to all students enrolled at the college. Additionally, regulations must be reviewed annually with individuals affiliated with campus organizations.

Offenders are subject to college disciplinary proceedings in addition to criminal prosecution for manslaughter, reckless endangerment and assault. The New York Senate-Assembly stated that "A barbaric practice like hazing should have no place [at colleges or universities]." They also said that hazings are "planned premeditated acts which have sadistic implications."

The Fraternity Executives Association also opposes hazing and pre-initiation activities which do not contribute to the positive development and welfare of pledges and members. The F.E.A. lists some activities which fit the definition of hazing: paddling in any form, creation of excessive fatigue, shocks, quests, treasure hunts, road trips, wearing apparel not normally in good taste, public stunts or buffoonery, any degrading or humiliating activities and late work sessions.

Hamilton Interfraternity Council President Rick Noble attended the "Mean Deans Fall Conference" at which hazing was discussed this fall. Deans and student representatives from 16 colleges were present. Although nobody at the Conference was satisfied with the new legislation, there was no representative from the New York State Senate-Assembly present to explain and elaborate on the new law. There was a general concensus that the legislation was vague and ill prepared. Concern was expressed as to how the legislation might be used in court. The Conference recommended that the law be more specific.

The College's and fraternities' liabilities have been greatly increased as a result of the new legislation. Noble commented that fraternities and organizations in general will have to be more careful about the things that they do. The I.F.C. has met to discuss the new law already and it noted that the clause regarding forced consumption of liquor or drugs may also involve peer pressure. Noble indicated that, "To my knowledge, no fraternities on this campus engage in any kind of dangerous initiation rituals." He also mentioned that there is some subjectivity as to what may be considered a "constructive activity."

Noble, and other fraternity officers, are now personally and legally liable for any damges incurred during a fraternity-related activity.

R. Gordon Bingham, Dean of Student Affairs, believes that the intent of the law is sound but the

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This is the last weekly issue of the Spectator *under the editorship of Robert Chassin. Publication will resume with the* Winter Magazine *during January. The next weekly edition of the* Spectator *will appear on Febuary 6.*

Board of Trustees Concludes Meetings

by Rick Parrott

The Hamilton College Board of Trustees concluded a busy weekend of meetings authorizing more survey work for the renovation of the James Library, creating a special panel to appraise the final report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Social Life, and electing a new charter trustee member, Patricia Bakwin Selch among other business.

Concerning the James Library, President J. Martin Carovano commented that progress towards taking action on the Library is being made slowly. The College is continuing architectural surveys of the building and Carovano hopes to have specific plans ready for the Board's possible approval by the time of the next Trustee meeting in March.

"We want to bring the process up to a point where we would be able to move if approval was given," said the President. Carovano cautioned that an official go-ahead from the Board is not guaranteed since the Trustees will have to consider the cost of the plans and weigh it against other spending projects.

The new pool "has not received authorization yet" because "we still have to talk in a general way about where it fits into our priorities," remarked Carovano, going on to say that he does not expect major action to be taken on the pool at the March meeting since "we're not pushing the planning forward."

The "Energy Management System" which includes the use of a computer to monitor heat and air circulation in selected buildings was granted approval. The plans for construction call for the tentative completion of the computer project by October or November.

The Trustees have selected a Special Committee on Campus Social/Residential Life to appraise, discuss, and offer possible criticism of the upcoming final draft from the Ad Hoc Committee. The newly-picked body is made up of fourteen alumni ranging from William P. Hypes '46, Vice President of the Equitible Life Assurance Society, to John Klauberg '78, law student at Georgetown University, former basketball star.

Patricia Bakwim Selch was made a charter member of the Board. Selch, the sixth woman to hold such a position, a graduate of Wellesley College ('51) received her M.S. in Developmental Psychology from Columbia Teachers College in 1953 and has served with distinction in the mental health and child development fields at institutions including the Child Guidance Clinic at Bellevue Hospital in New York and the Cerebral Palsy Clinic at Guys Hospital in London.

Selch also has entered volunteer service and is currently an active officer and member of several community social service organizations in the New York area which also deal in child care and mental health matters.

Her Hamilton connections include her husband, Frederick R. Selch '52, brother, Edward M. Bakwin '50, and her son Nicholas F. Selch '79. Selch has also been active in Wellesley College alumni affairs and is a member of the Cosmopolitan Club in New York City.

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All Work ...

Many students are understandably upset at the prospect of arriving home on the day before Christmas Eve. According to the new calendar for the school year, exams are scheduled to end as late as December 22. For those who do, as well as do not, celebrate the Christmas holiday, the thought of becoming tangled in the inevitable traffic and shopping rush is anything but pleasant.

Not only students, but professors must work at least as long as we do. The solutions to this problem range from allowing students to arrange their own exam schedules to making sure this does not happen again. Whatever is done, it is hoped that exams will spoil no one's vacation.

The Last Sunrise

According to some, I have spent too much time working on *The Spectator*. However, I regard my work on *The Spectator* as well as that of my staff, as a learning experience that has been essential to our education. The various complexities that are involved in producing a weekly paper cannot be learned in lectures, labs, discussion groups or seminars. A majority of what I take with me when I leave Hamilton will be my *Spectator* work.

I thank the many people who have helped. To my staff — Granger, Megon, Joy, Alice, Matt, Rick, Larry, Donna, Larry, and Brooks — I can only offer my sincere thanks and appreciation for their countless sleepless, frustrating nights, for their being able to fight to find time and energy despite the academic rigors that are imposed here, and for a job well done. These people have felt the self-worth of participating in non-academic affairs.

My hope is that in the future more students, faculty, and administrators will realize the importance of extracurricular activities in attaining a true liberal arts education and participate in them.

In the past year, I have run into many obstacles ranging from unbending professors who believe that non-academic pursuits are worthless to threatening letters. All have made me intensely grateful for a final semester of peace when I resign next month.

I leave the many pleasures and burdens of *The Spectator* to the next editor-in-chief, Matt Zucker.

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Letter to the Editor

Hazy Outlook

TO THE EDITOR:

Well, that's it for jock-strap jogging in houseparties. It's considered hazing, punishable by revocation of the sponsoring organization's (frat's) permission to exist. Did you know that treasure hunts are "A barbaric practice [that] should have no place" at colleges in New York State?

The State is absolutely right to pass a law prohibiting a frat to force a pitcher of beer down some intimidated freshman's throat, but to make some one liable for assault or reckless endangerment charges for paddling the kid's bottom is a little much.

Hazing is now illegal. What is hazing? According to the Fraternity Executives Association (this from Matthew Lechner's article) hazing includes, not only the forced consumption of alchohol and/or drugs, but also paddling, road trips, treasure hunts and "wearing apparel not normally in good taste."

The idea of the law is good, but once again, the gov't is going over board. It's already illegal to force the consumption of that kind of crap. Likewise, it's already illegal to endanger anyone's life in any way. The gov't wants to emphasize a good point, but let them do it by enforcing the existing laws. The more laws, the more you restrict an individual's freedom. And besides, why should every fraternity activity be a constructive activity? Why not let them have a good time, as long as they don't hurt anyone — including themselves?

TOM PETERSON '81

Farb Sees Red

TO THE EDITOR:

I am one of a small minority of students who has a car on campus. While I realize that possessing an automobile on the Hill is a privilege, not a right, recently I was appalled at the lack of concern the administration has shown for the nearly 300 car owners on this campus.

I was parallel parked opposite the gymnasium early Wednesday mornining when I noticed a ticket on my windshield. "How could I have been given a ticket," I thought, "I have parked in this spot for nearly the entire semester." Then I noticed the no-parking signs. While I had been attending to chores around the athletic center, I found out later, physical plant had installed no-parking signs. Thus, before I had a chance to move the car, I was given a ticket.

While I could understand that Moses was merely doing his job, I could not understand why this place was deemed unfit for parking. Last year when campus road was turned into a no-parking zone, students and faculty alike were informed. This time when a similar act was perpetrated, it was done covertly.

The location in question, to be specific, is located across from the athletic center, adjacent to the science building and opposite the back of Carnegie. It provides the only legal parking for students attending the library or doing business in the gym. Sure, I know that students can park in the Fieldhouse parking lot, but in the heart of winter, who wants to spend at least five minutes walking through snow piles and drifts to get to the library? And remember, it's also the flu season.

Talking to Athletic department staff, they are similarly puzzled by this recent action. Thus, I ask Mr. O'Leary to please remove this ban on parking. Please show some concern for the students who own cars on campus, instead of contempt.

LARRY GOLDFARB '83

What Was That?

TO THE EDITOR:

This note is simply a public expression of thanks to the Student Health Committee for their vigor and effectiveness in organizing and publicizing the successful rubella/rubeola immunization clinic held at the Health Center this week. The cooperation and support of other campus groups, and particularly the Interdormitory Council, the Interfraternity Council, the *Spectator,* and the Women's Center are also gratefully acknowledged.

It is such student efforts as these that are so important in further improvement of health on the hill.

GEORGE E. MILLER M.D.

Healthy Thanks

TO THE EDITOR:

I'm a little disappointed. Although most people heard what Abbie Hoffman had to say Monday night, others went into the chapel with preconceived notions of who he was and what he had to say. Comments from people like, "He's anti-American," or "Abbie Hoffman is just against democracy," or "What a communist," only serve to show that they weren't listening. I won't waste my time trying to explain why they are wrong because they probably wouldn't listen anyway.

To you who were listening, I only hope that we can use what we've learned to question things we've accepted all along and do what we can to change them. Maybe then we can reach those who weren't listening.

CHRIS BEHAN '83

Bass Note

TO THE EDITOR:

I would just like to thank the many people involved in the production of "Doctor Neptune and the Rare Organs" which was performed last Saturday night. The opportunities for playing the electric bass are few and far between on this campus; almost as difficult as getting the chance to play rock music. In a place where alternative forms of music appear to have been stifled, it is refreshing to find composer/players such as those musicians with whom I was lucky enough to perform. How strange that in an institution with so much musical talent we have so few student recitals. This makes Saturday night's performance all the more special. So, once again I'd like to thank Chris Whitcomb, Herb Lockwood, David Schleifer, George Shrady, Joe Duffus, and Jeff Moose. The sum of their contributions is much greater than its individual parts.

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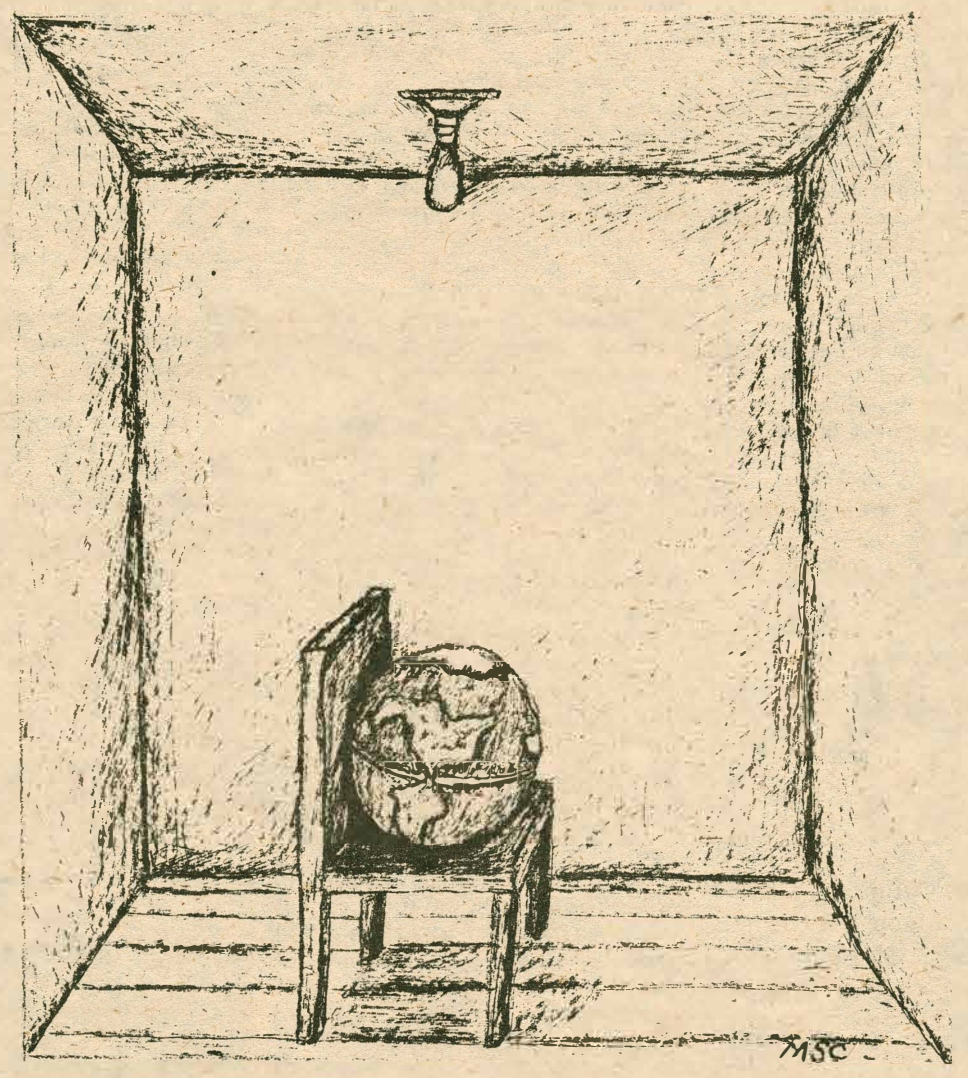


We all want to change the world.

And so on the night Abbie Hoffman was here in isolated Clinton, microcosm of the world it may or not be, John Lennon gets it in the back, the stomach, in the head, by a Son of Sam disciple. We all do what we can; and when we try and can't, for some, it's so hard to realize, to accept, that there are those who can — and so John Lennon got blown away. Can you imagine the expression on the face of his doorman? But they kill millionaires all the time, always have; they're not sacrosanct.

Abbie Hoffman, I don't think, came here to antagonize; he came to tell a few jokes, sell some buttons, his book, spread a few leaks. He took one look at the clothing — we are number two — and so maybe he said what's the use, why cause some heat on this happy hill, and talked about media manipulator, instead, stuff we've all heard before. By the way, did you know that the hostage mess is fabricated by A.O. Sulzberger to boost circulation? Have you noticed all the people who are so obsessed these days with knowing? But about Abbie, at least we found out that he isn't as tall as we had always thought.

Someone once said that the problem with man is — something to this effect — that he can't stay quiet in his room. And someone else said we ought to read not the *Times*, but the eternities. Well, if we ought to in learning, in thinking, as not only students but as human beings, take out from the classroom what we've read, and see through what it really might have meant, maybe we can understand why John Lennon had to be shot — not because he's a martyr, and not because the world will only appreciate his effect on it once he's dead (he's not a Buddy Holly, though maybe he is a teeny bit like Sartre in that neither have had movies made about them) but because he didn't care about the stuff that's written up the same way day in and day out in the *Times*.

Someone has to think that stuff is important. Abbie Hoffman serves a function because he does, and so did the hippies, because they did, too. I found myself so phased Monday night because I realized I had been living in a sweetened nostalgia that I probably didn't deserve to experience. Personally, I find it hard to believe that there are people living on this earth who do not remember, who were not even alive before, the Jets and Mets were world champions. *Laugh-in,* for those of you who read the Time-Life supplements, was not the mouthpiece of the people. And hip people stopped reading *Rolling Stone* ten years ago — hip people can't spend $7 for a record now, either.

What pride in our country we should have, now that an artist can attain a position of strength in the eyes of at least one man who takes the time out of his day to shoot him dead. I thought we were solely concerned with political figures. Shoot someone down, get a little more or less liberty. We've never been a people who paid much attention to thinkers anyhow. In Germany, Thomas Mann probably pulled in buckets full of marks while on the European lecture circuit. Men with citations on their coats listened to him, the nation listened to him, until he left. We've never been like that. New York City once almost had Norman Mailer as Mayor, but that's not the same thing, I don't think.

Why I couldn't get myself to stand up and cheer and yell Monday disturbed me. A product of the 70's, I suppose I'm more interested in me and my function, and my friends and their functions, and what I and they can and will do that will really last, that I couldn't jump up and down — even at least paint Love on my forehead — for a man who calls himself a professional organizer. It's so strange to think that we're living in a John Lennonless world.

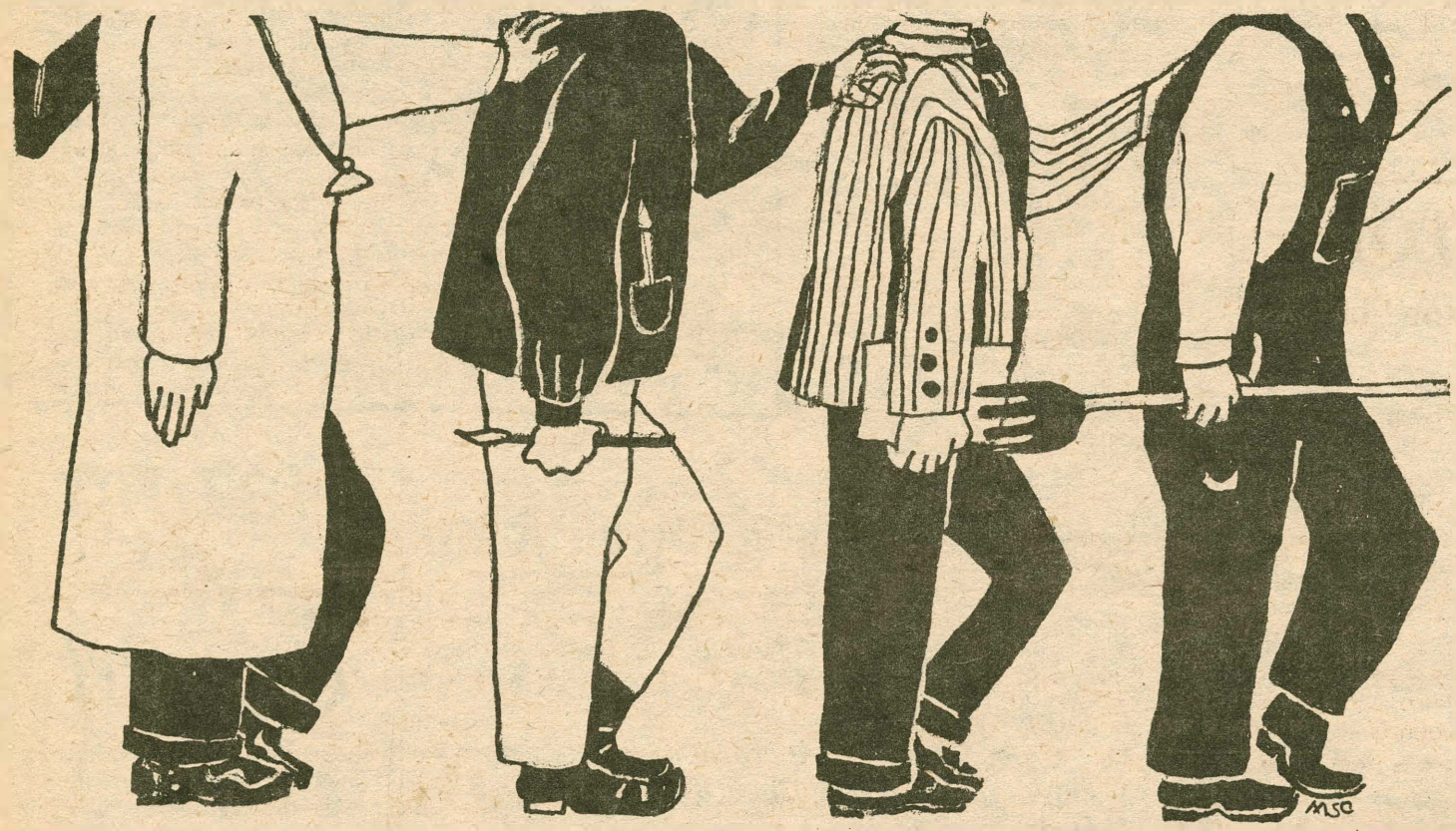
It's not that there are no more causes to fight for, it's not that there have never been any wars worth dying in; it's just that when the condolence cards come to Yoko, I just hope that they're from people who were changed because of what John Lennon did, and that what he felt through his heart was somehow kept alive on the plastic — the plastic now selling for $7 and making men who wear ties very wealthy — that in some way affected them for better or for worse, maybe got them to feel an emotion that they had never felt before.

Columns

"The columns page of the *Spectator* is one of the best outlets for writers on campus," says a former *Spectator* columnist. If you write well and have something interesting to say, the *Spectator* needs you. A bi-monthly column takes little time away from your course work, while giving others the impression that you are productive. Who knows? You may be the next Barba Bevington. Contact Matt Zucker, Editor Elect, at the *Spectator* office, phone x7101, through campus mail, in person, or at his room, x7378. He can't wait to hear from you.

Lynne Matthews

Frustrations



This Thanksgiving vacation seemed to embrace the core of my present frustrations. Upon emerging from that underground wonder, the subway, I appeared slightly more disheveled than usual, having stayed up the entire night before constructing an essay on the interior of the Owens funeral home. I met a woman whose children I had babysat for during my high school days. We exchanged the usual formalities while her eyes surveyed my person like searchlights. My eyes constantly shifted in the direction of home in the hope that we might continue on our separate ways. But, alas, she continued her senseless jabbering and inquisitions. I became uneasily aware that there was a purpose behind her chatter, and my arm grew tired of bearing the tremendous weight of my laundry bag. All of a sudden a devilish sparkle seemed to jump in her eyes, like the dollar signs that wiggle in eyes of cartoon characters, and she asked, "And what are you going to do next year?"

I looked back at her, my eyes expressing a plea for mercy. I had just survived a five-hour car ride, a long essay for English 410, and had refereed a shaving cream fight between two of my advisees. The bags under my eyes had slid down to the middle of my cheeks, and now she wanted to know what I was doing next year! I felt like taking my laundry bag, which also served as my luggage, and hitting her over the head. Whereupon she must have read the exasperated expression on my face, for she most wisely changed the subject.

That episode marked the beginning of a rather unpleasant vacation. It almost seemed that a plot was being formed to take away the simple pleasure of a four day vacation from the rigors of Hamilton academics. Between mouthfuls, the main activity at our Thanksgiving feast was to interrogate the granddaughter, the niece, the cousin: the college senior, so that they could comfortably digest my declarations of "my true aim in life," along with their turkey and sweet potatoes. My peers, my allies, were however far more sympathetic. We would simply exchange a glance that translated into "DON'T EVEN ASK!"

Somehow this period seems far worse than what I suffered through as a high school senior. At least there was an accepted course plotted for me: apply to as many colleges as possible and pray that one would accept me. That particular course of action quieted the nosey masses and interrogators. Questions like: what are you going to major in?, or how are you going to approach your English 410 essay on your intellectual growth in the past four years?, seem trivial in comparison with the big question.

Instead of writing my resume, arranging interviews or writing that ten page paper due the day we got back, I spent my Thanksgiving vacation trying to come up with a suitable response. Because I am not pre-med, pre-law, pre-business, or pre-art, my choices are somewhat limited. Of course, it's nothing to lose any sleep over. I decided that prescription for the big question would be either to lie; tell them you're a junior, sophomore, anything. Tell them you're going to become a flight attendant, or that you're going to California to join the latest religious cult. Even if you're 5'0" and weigh 150 pounds tell them you're going to model in New York City, or simply look them straight in the eyes and tell them you're going to medical school. If worse comes to worst, and they continue to bother you, reach for the nearest object and hit them over the head.

Hoffman Lecture Cont'd

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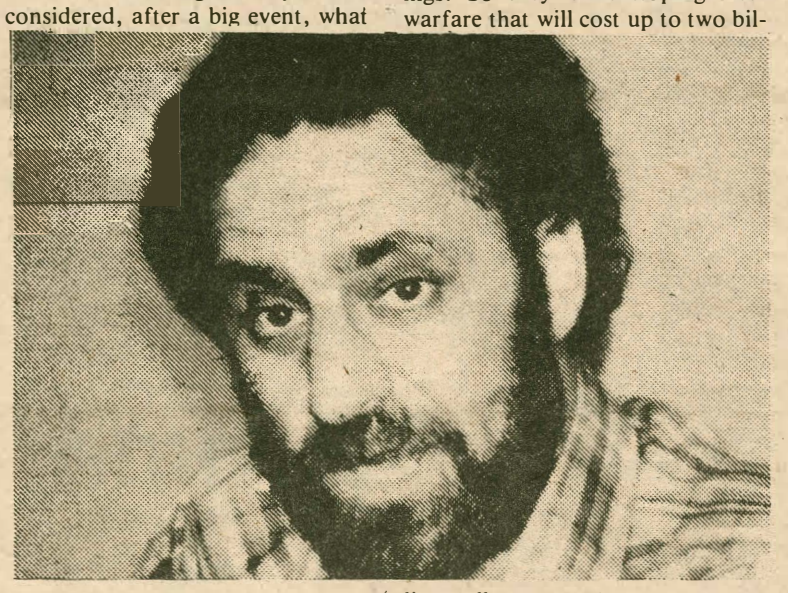
package wrapped — like a media bar. So I'm going to talk to you, tonight, about my feelings about the media in this country."

"The news," he continued, sounding the keynote of his talk, — "what we call the freedom of the press — belongs to the people who own one."

"No poor folks own presses, no middle class folks own them, look around. The presses are owned by rich people, and their duty is to protect the ruling class — "Save our money, save our land, save our ass." That's it, that's their song."

"There are 4,000 television stations," Hoffman said, "giving us news every day. 5,000 newspapers, 4,000 radio stations; 13,000 voices coming at us — boom, boom, boom. It's amazing that if you ever considered, after a big event, what



they have to say, and the type of coverage, incredible unanimity — and we talk about freedom of the press. There's a monopoly here that we call freedom of the press. Foreign Policy, Iran, Camp David, it doesn't matter — it's all the same. No oddballs. "Nationalization of the oil industry; I believe that is the best way to control our economic problems in this country — no, no, no. A lot of people agreed, but no newpapers. "Let's not discuss that," they said. I believe in universal medical care for all citizens; that should be the goal of a civilized country. The AMA won't allow that in any newspapers: censorship."

"I saw a big poll in the Los Angeles Times that asked which is worse unemployment or inflation. We're forming a political party called None of the Above."

"The news in this country, it's very interesting to analyze it the way you would gossip. To accept it just like Walter Cronkite was leaning over the backyard fence talking to your Aunt Tillie. It is gossip. Selected, distorted, twisted, and again, keeping in mind the rules and the interests being protected."

"There was a feature report in a New York newpaper. A nationwide report found that four out of ten adults believe that, in their lifetime, they will be victims of bodily harm from a stranger. Police statistics show this actually happens to one-half of one percent of the population, and that police statistic is inflated — as all police statistics are. It's never reported [on newspapers or TV] that when you see crime going up, you see the population happen to go up. You can't have less crime: that means less cops and less guns."

Hoffman went on to describe the arms build-up race between the U.S. and Russia in similar terms. "There's always going to be a gap. Most of the time it's going to be that they (the Russians) are ahead, because they're the muggers in the streets. So we're behind, so let's get you see, as a politician to come out for crime in the streets; or for the Russians, or for both."

"They say that they're not satisfied with the nuclear weapons, which have the unfortunate characteristic of when they destroy people, they knock down all the buildings. So they're developing laser warfare that will cost up to two billion dollars — that's more than you pay for tuition here for four years. They want to make a death-ray gun that can zap Moscow. These are the reasonable, responsible, rational people who will be dancing at the inaugural ball this January."

Hoffman then sang a song which was "dedicated to the Royal family-elect. It's called *"The Ballad of Ray-Gun Ronnie."*

Here's to you Ray-Gun Ronnie, 'till we die, 'till we die / Here's to you Ray-Gun Ronnie 'till I die / Well it might be milk and honey / but it won't be very funny / When we get to that White House bye and bye."

Hoffman then summed up his message for the audience. "Don't be afraid," he said, "there's always going to be crime in the streets. Don't worry about it. There's always going to be crime in the schools. Don't worry about it. There's always going to be crime in the sky. Don't worry about it. Don't let fear lock you in, because it has its own reality, and it renders you impotent. Don't worry."

He continued to discuss his relationship with the news media. "I label myself a community organizer. That's what I am. I started in the 1960's. When last year came, I was under another name, I was a fugitive. I was running around saving the St. Lawrence River and the Thousand Islands. I was being an organizer, of all kinds of different people. You're never going to see that label in the media. You're going to see a lot of other stuff."

Hoffman continued to discuss his portrayal in the media as a trouble-maker. He disclosed that the FBI had released "24,000 pages of illegal harrassment, surveillance, intimidation, burglaries, you name it. Poison-pen assassinations — they sent it to me for Christmas."

He discussed another label often applied to him, that of "media manipulator." He argued that often the way he is portrayed in the media (he used the example of an article about him in *People* magazine) distorts reality and, can often be "pretty rude."

Hoffman went on to describe the way in which the media distorts all news. He said that he had, for example, been informed by an "intelligent source" that the United States had 20,000 mercenaries stationed in Panama. They are, he said "being trained, armed, supplied, by the CIA, to go, at a moment's notice, into El Salvador. How come I know that before Walter Cronkite? You'll hear about it some day."

Hoffman gave a brief history of his life of protest and organizing, after stating that "Democracy demands disrespect. Disrespect in the schools; disrespect in the streets."

In his high school education, he said, "I learned nothing. We didn't learn how the world was being structured around us. About the power balance." In the fifties, he said, people were unaware that "the Rosenbergs had been executed, that the McCarthy witchhunts went on, the Korean War, even."

"There was a certain conformity that spread throughout. Everyone was concerned with keeping up with the Jones, and getting bigger fins on their cars. We had to break that," he said, "driving for the big career. That was the carrot in front of the donkey's nose."

"When we hit the sixties, a drop of political awareness hit. In California with the HUAC hearings, with Caryl Chessmann being executed — a symbol against capital punishment when no one wanted it. We were marching against nuclear testing, and getting hassled by local citizens. With each step you grew, not angrier, but a little more disappointed, surprised. Finding that the word revolution was a bad word. I grew up near Concord Bridge, it was a good word there."

"We were busing school kids to city council, school board meetings, so they'd see what kind of people had power, to make decisions about their lousy teachers, and the fact that they had no books in their school. That was enough, I learned, to get me on the secret service list. A dangerous little participation in democracy, there."

Hoffman went on to relate his activities in the sixties which included organizing voter registration in the South, demonstrating for civil rights. He described the work involved in organizing against racial segregation, and the resistance he and his co-workers met.

He talked about the Hippie movement in the late sixties. "They had a statement, not a stance. They were a threat for two reasons: the design and the music did not originate in the studio, it originated on the street, and they had a philosophy that was anti-work, and that undermines a very strong pillar of capitalism, the Protestant Work Ethic."

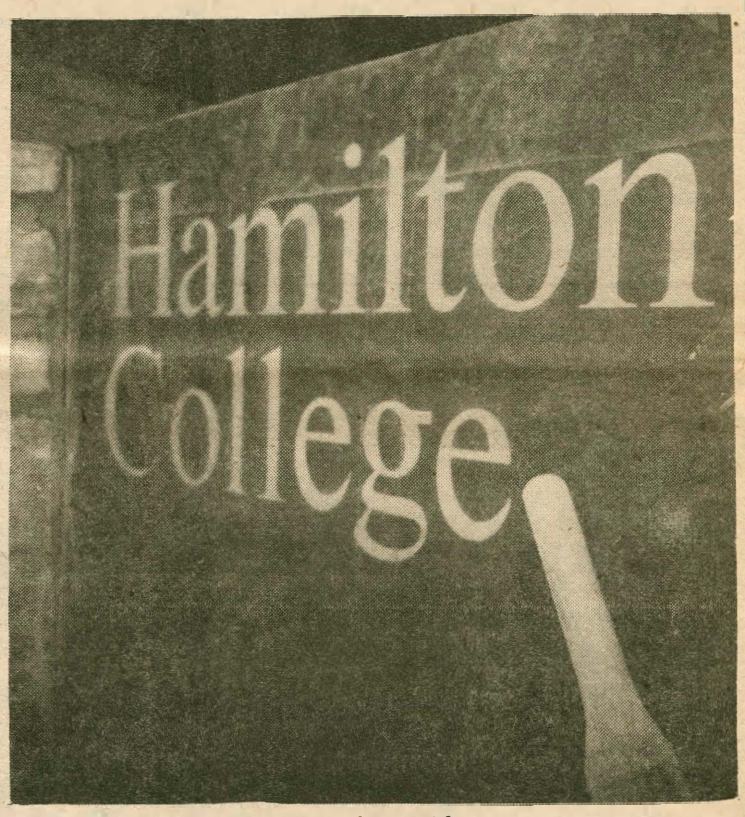
"Then there was the Vietnam War," he continued, "which was the greatest victory for democracy in our lifetime. A people had never rose up to their government and said 'Bring the troops home, now!' The government had to listen, and brought the troops home."

"We changed history. We worked hard, lots of us. Not just idealistic people. In the beginning it was not a popular movement, it never is — opposing your government in a time of war. So the numbers grew and the rallies got bigger. And the years went on, and people got angrier. It grew to a point when the *Wall Street Journal* — they were the first to lead the pack — said call them in. Then the *New York Times* followed suit. So I went underground. I didn't exactly feel like facing trial, looking at life imprisonment in Attica, with Rockefeller in Albany, Nixon in the White House. I was underground almost seven years."

In describing his life, in hiding, he described the beauty of the area in which he lived, near the St. Lawrence River. In 1978, after having lived there for almost four years, he heard that the Army Corps of Engineers planned to have the river made navigable in the winter. "A year-round barge canal," Hoffman described it.

Hoffman became committed to the cause of saving the river, and preventing the winter navigation on the river. "I was convinced I would get caught. But I put together everything we had learned in the sixties, and it worked. We organized, went to hearings, and I spoke before Senator Moynihan, and brought people out in numbers. In the end, we won. We defeated the Army Corps of Engineers, we prevented winter navigation from becoming a reality, and saved New York State an incredible amount of money. We had saved one of the most beautiful sights in the world."

He concluded his remarks by saying that "we won a lot of battles in the sixties. We didn't need any ideology, we just needed a commitment. Moral indignation. The sixties isn't dead. The spirit isn't dead. The legacy of protest isn't dead, and until young people like yourselves register for the draft, don combat uniforms, and start going overseas, to blast the hell out of people you couldn't care less about in a way you couldn't care less about, the sixties will still be alive."



Inside the mysterious box!!

Here it is — a Spectator *exclusive — the sign you've heard so much about!*

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Agenda

I. Approval of Minutes
II. Exam Schedules Approval of the Assembly's Memo to the Academic Council for discussion and feedback.
III. Winter Term Conferences
IV. Constitution Committee Approval of proposed Constitutional Amendments to clarify the election procedure.
V. Program Board Discussion of proposed changes in the election of the Program Board Chairperson.
VI. Other

Hazing Law Cont'd

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specific bill was not considered as carefully as it should have been.

The new legislation has been criticized as vague and it does not adequately account for the possibility of purely accidental injury. Since this law was amended, many new activities can now be considered hazing. Both initiation rites and normal activities of organizations are affected by this law. Penalties for violations are stiff for both the organization involved and also any individuals who are already members of the organization. The courts will be left to further define the new legislation.

Evaluation Released

Middle States Report

by Matt Zucker

The Middle States Association of Colleges and School has released its evaluation report on Hamilton College.

The Evaluation Team, which represents the Commission on Higher Education, prepares the report as, in the words of the report, "an educational service for the benefit of the institution." The comments evaluate the manner in which the college "appears to be carrying out its educational objectives."

The team visited the campus from October 26-29, and presented its report late last month. The college was accredited by the Middle States Association in 1921, and the purpose of the evaluation is to reaffirm its accreditation.

The Report covers the following categories: An Introductory Note, Some Characteristics of Hamilton, The New Hamilton, Co-Education, Hamilton's Students, Curriculum, Student Advising, Faculty Development, About Governance, Administration, Trustees, Finances, Library, Publications, and For Future Reference. The report emphasizes three main topics. First, it discusses "matters addressed with particularity in the institutional self-study (prepared for the college by Professor Austin Briggs) student life, athletics, admission and financial aid." Second, the report "acknowledges the descriptive information on other elements of Hamilton College operations and generally follows the Middle States' "Characteristics of Excellence in Higher Education" in commenting on these elements." Finally, the team comments on matters "they considered to be of over-arching importance."

President Carovano responded to the report in a letter dated December 8. He commented on the helpfulness of the report, and addressed those comments with which he disagreed.

An evaluation of this report, and President Caravano's response will appear in the Winter Magazine of *The Spectator*.

Ad Hoc Report

by Brooks Magratten

Dean Bingham reports that a draft of the Ad Hoc Committee on Student Social and Residential Life report has been completed.

The draft consists of four chapters, the first three of which have been shared with Trustees and a special Alumni Committee. The chapters include an introduction and statement of the Committee's purpose, a history of the college's residential system and present data, and a statement which isolates problems in the present system. A fourth chapter which makes recommendations to the Trustees has been completed and is being reviewed by the committee.

A final report, states Bingham, should be available at the end of December. The final report has been investigating student social-residential status since last Spring; Dean Bingham feels that the Committee is now ready to make a unified statement on the present system.

The final report will incorporate some of the observations made by the Middle States Evaluation Commission Report. With respect to student social and residential living, the commission suggested that the Ad Hoc Committee look beyond social aspects when designing a residential system and look at the entire educational experience as it works within the college. Bingham reports that his office is in favor of creating a residential system where students assume more responsibility in their own housing (i.e. Co-op, societies, etc.). Bingham stated that he would like to see the college move in this particular direction while offering equal opportunity to all students.

Baby, It's Cold Outside!

by Anne Oplinger

Interest in weather at this time of year is not surprising considering New York's reputation for brutal winters.

Past meteorological records show that most of upstate New York lies under a blanket of snow for 120 days a year. Much of this snow cover is a result of blizzards which assail this region dropping up to forty inches of snow in a single night. If blizzards are not enough, we also have ice storms to look forward to. Hamilton College is located in a belt in which there is a one-in-three chance of a severe ice storm every winter.

As the snow begins to fly so do predictions about the upcoming winter weather. Although it is difficult to guess what Mother Nature will dish out next, people have tried for generations to foretell the severity and duration of winter by observing the activities of certain animals, examining various plants and watching the sky. All these observations have resulted in a loose jumble of wisdom and half-wit called weather lore.

The tidbits of lore which follow were drawn from the article "Collected Winter Folk Wisdom" by Charles Coltz, which appeared in the November 1980 issue of *Contact*.

Some of the most useful weather lore involves the color and cloud cover of the moon. According to a saying which originated in Greece, "Pale moon doth rain, Red moon doth blow, White moon doth neither rain nor snow." The explanation behind this saying is that "pale moon" implies the presence of thin cirrostratus clouds which are signs of precipitation while "red moon" indicates high humidity, also common prior to snow or rainfall. "White moon," on the other hand, points to cloudless skies and a dry atmosphere.

Weather prognosticators also examine plants for clues about the upcoming weather. Supposedly, a heavy crop of acorns or any type of berry is a sign of a hard winter to come. other indications of wicked weather are waxy buds, thick onion and apple skins and heavy corn husks. In Pennsylvania, the farmers believe, "if the corn wears a heavy coat, so must you." Unfortunately, these phenomena are not valid for making long range predictions because they are determined by past, not future, weather conditions. One plant which can be used to determine the temperature with some accuracy is the rhododendron. This plant, known as the poor man's thermometer, has sensitive leaves which drop when the temperature drops to 40 degrees F. By 20 degrees, they flatten themselves against the stem.

Birds are the subject of several weather legends. One concerns the titmouse, which screams, "pinch her" — a strange message in any language — when the weather is going to change for the worse. Another method of predicting foul weather is with crooked fowl. One saying goes, "if the breastbone of a duck is red, it signifieth a long winter; if white, the contrary."

It is a common belief that certain animals have a wintering instinct which causes them to prepare for cold winter. A hard winter is forecast if squirrels have particularly bushy tails or if groundhogs have thick layers of fat, although pinching a groundhog to test its fatness may be something easier said than done. The woolly bear caterpillar is one of the most familiar weather predictors. This larval form of the Izabell tiger moth has three bands; black the head and tail and brown in the middle. According to tradition, the width of each band is relative to the lengths of the beginning, middle and end of winter. Another version of this belief is that the narrower the middle band is, the harder the winter will be

The possibility of a severe winter settling over the campus is a topic of great speculation and whether or not such forecasters as the titmouse and woolly bear will make accurate predictions remains to be seen. Mark Twain got closest to the ultimate winter weather forecast when he said, "Probably northeast

to southwest winds, varying to the southward and westward and eastward, and points between, high and low barometer swapping around from place to place; probable areas of rain, snow, hail, and drought, succeeded or preceeded by earthquakes, with thunder and lightning. . .but it is possible that the programme may be wholly changed in the meantime." That may be the most accurate forecast you'll hear all year.

Hours of Hamilton Facilties During Christmas Break

Dining Halls

McEwen: Last meal dinner, December 22, reopens January 4.

Commons: Last meal lunch, December 22, reopens Jaunary 4.

Bundy: Last meal dinner, December 21, reopens January 5.

Hub

Snack Bar: Closes 4 pm, December 22, reopens 11 am January 4.

Pub: Closes December 21, reopens January 4.

Health Center

Closes 4 pm, December 22, reopens 4 pm January 4.

List and Root Art Centers

Closed December 23 to January 4, reopens January 5 (usual hours).

Mail Center

Closed December 25, 26 and January 1.

Library

Monday, December 22, 8:30 am to 6 pm.

December 23, 24, 29, 30 and 31 and January 2, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

Closed December 25 through 28 and January 1, 3, and 4.

Resumes regular hours Monday, January 5.

Bristol Campus Center

Office: December 22, closes 4:30 pm. December 23, 24, 29, 30, 31
and January 2, 8:30 am to noon, 1 pm to 4:30 pm.
January 4, 12 noon to 1 am.

Games Area: Closes 4 pm, December 21, reopens January 4, 3:30.

Bookstore: December 23, 24, 29. 30, 31, January 2, 8:30 am to 12
noon and 1 pm to 4:30 pm.
Closed December 20, and 25 through 28, January 1, 3, and 4.

Bristol Campus Center Resumes Normal operation on January 5.

Dormitories

All Dormitories will be closed at 4 pm on Tuesday, December 23.

They will reopen at noon on Saturday, January 3. Dorm doors will be locked, no exceptions.

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Tradition at Hamilton

by Lauren Cunniffe

Every Hamilton student is at least vaguely aware that the College has a history rich in academic and social traditions. The academic traditions have endured but have the social traditions, solemn or mischievous, carried on through the years?

The government professor scratched his head, perplexed, struggling to supply me with some sort of amusing anecdote. "Hmm. I honestly can't think of any funny, ingenious pranks or traditions that have been performed by the students here within the last twenty years. The really good pranks were long before my time."

What a seemingly sad state of affairs. What has happened to the tradition of undergraduate ingenuity at Hamilton College? Have all the mischievious minds turned exclusively to the solemn ritual of trekking through the snow to study at the glorious Burke Library? Have grades, MCAT's and grad schools erased all thought of class rivalries and harmless sabotage? Is the petty vandalism of the refurbished Pub now the only outlet for a dubious, alcohol-induced creativity? Surely there are still some creative minds lurking on the Hamilton campus, eager to carry on the great Hamilton pranks and traditions. Asserted Sidney Wertimer, "the sense of humor hasn't disappeared."

The undergraduate sense of humor began in the 1800's. Although there were many strict regulations forbidding such unlawful activities as "blaspheming, fornicating or dueling," one learned graduate of the early 1800's later divulged that he was positive that there was "much turbulent behavior, that the prayer bell would not always ring having been turned upside down and filled with water which became ice; that sheep and calves were introduced into the chapel and conducted to the professors' seats". There is certainly no denying that the Hamilton students of the 1980's participate in "turbulent behavior", but at times it does seem a bit unfocused.

An example of highly focused behavior was the manner in which the students expressed their great dislike for a certain professor Boyd in 1849. Evidently Mr. Boyd was not a scintillating speaker and the students sarcastically referred to his "magnetic eloquence and whether the distillation of one of the preacher's discourses would not yield more opium than the same bulk in poppies." To prove their dislike, the sophomores stole Boyd's privy and burned it in their annual bonfire. Then they took his horse and paraded it about campus until it reached the point of exhaustion. Then, just to make sure Boyd didn't miss the point and think that all this commotion was in his honor, his effigy was burned. Boyd resigned.

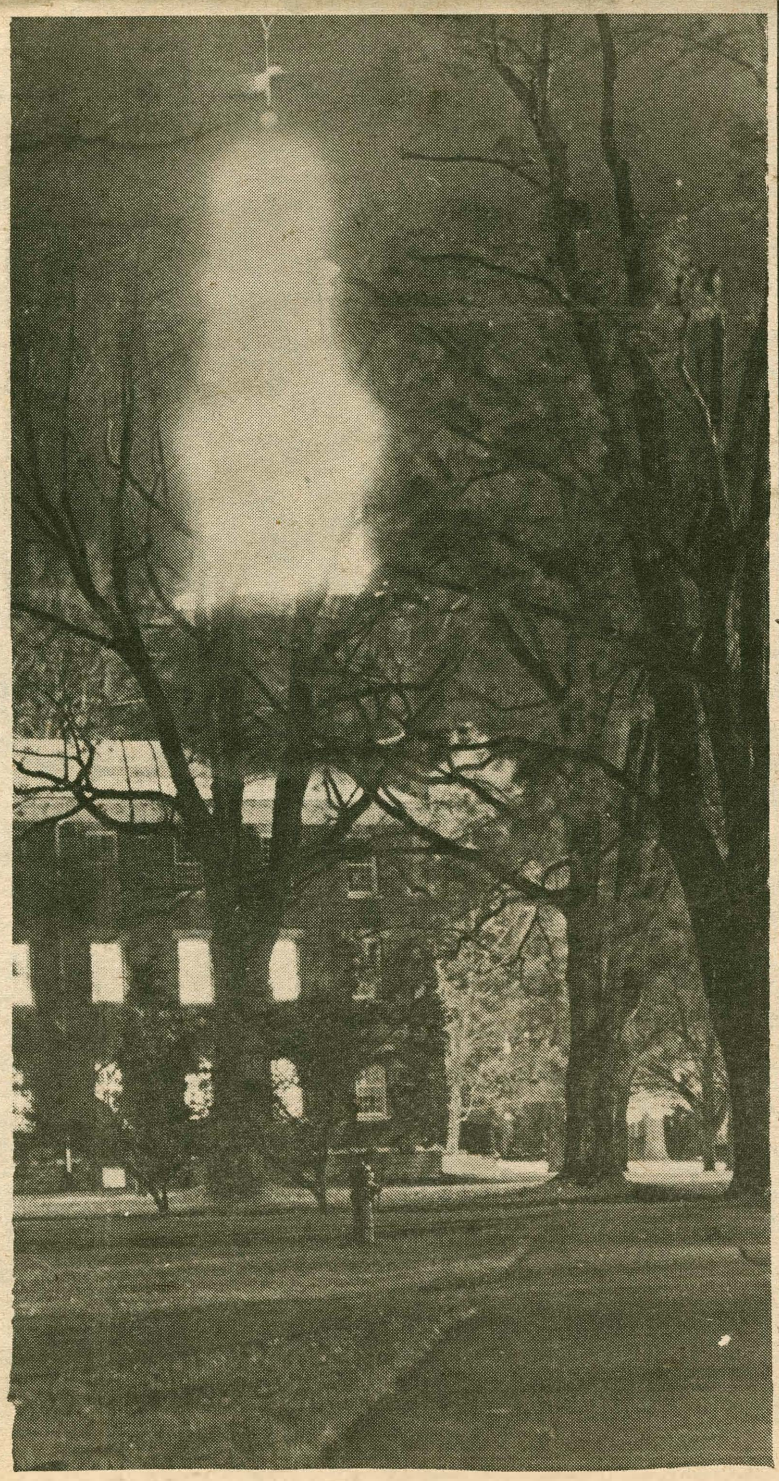
One traditional practice, the end of which was mourned by the student body, went like this: A group of sophomores would enter a freshman's room and force him to strip. Water would be poured on the floor, and corn meal would be liberally strewn over the liquid. Then the unfortunate young man would be obliged to first run over, and then slide on his stomach through this mixture until he and the floor became quite bloody. The general sentiment about this ritual was that the foreknowledge of it would discourage weaklings from applying to the College.

Freshmen did not have an easy time their first year on the Hill, as is further demonstrated in the following prank. "Tongee Theater" was an event perpetuated by the upperclassmen in which the sole point of the performance was to shoot, kill, and then drag the corpse of a freshman off-stage, his head merrily bouncing along a deliberately filthy floor.

Occasionally members of the administration had direct dealings with student pranksters. A President of the college actually found himself held hostage in the Kirkland dorm bathroom while the unruly students kept him at bay with the help of a fire hose. Finally, the Dean rescued him. Somewhere in the Hamilton archives there is a touching picture of several wet, penitent students mopping up watery Kirkland under the watchful eye of the Dean.

There were more serious traditions at Hamilton College. Among them were the newly founded fraternities which took themselves quite seriously. According to the recorded history of the college, "The Alpha Delts laid stress on scholarship; the Sigs measured the size of the pocketbook, the style of dress and general good appearance; the Psi U sought men of generous hearts, companionable ways and fraternal spirits; the Chi Psi sheltered the high flyers who were heard as well as seen." Remember, this assessment of the various frats was made in the mid-1800's and certainly is not intended to characterize today's frats.

Have the great traditions of Hamilton College actually died? Or do the special circumstances (isolation, lack of transportation, hard work) provide the optimal criteria for future pranks? Are the Hamilton students of today at all comparable in terms of ingenuity to the students of years past? Perhaps it is unfair to compare the past and present students. As Sidney Wertimer wrote in the Alumni Review of 1968, "It is dangerous to compare 'then' and 'now'." Perhaps each new decade of Hamilton students should foster its own form of ingenuity: ours simply needs to discover it first.



Winter Term Events

Life Insurance

During Winter Term, Milan Resanovich, Vice President, Corporate Finance for Prudential Insurance Company of America, will be on campus participating in the Businessman-in-Residence program.

The Businessman-in-Residence Program, inaugurated in 1973, provides senior life insurance executives an opportunity to live and work in a college, exchanging views with students, faculty, and the campus in a program specifically tailored to his abilities and interests, varying from the teaching of regular classes for credit (in a mini-semester, for example) to participation in ongoing courses and seminars, guest lectures, debates, and informal discussions. Executives who have participated in the program — and they are all enthusiastic about their experience — have dealt with such topics as corporate social responsibility, relations between education and business, women in business, the image of the businessman in American Literature, and issues in economics and population studies.

The persons involved are senior executive officers of their companies, successful, thoughtful, experienced men and women who have something to contribute to an academic community. They seek to be infomrmed as well as to share their experience, and they do not at all see themselves in the role of propagandists for business or anything else.

Winter Term 1981 Co-Curricular Program "From Backus Forward: A Social and Curricular History of Hamilton College"

The Steering Committee for the On-Campus Co-Curricular Program (a subcommittee of the CAP) has presented a theme for this winter term: from Backus forward. The idea is to center cultural and academic events around the theme. Unfortunately, because of the short time involved, this year's term is a shortened version. Below is a tentative schedule of events for winter term.

Date	Time	Event
Thursday, January 8	?	Opening of exhibition of photographs of Hamilton
	8:30 pm	Talk: An architectural history of Hamilton (Sylvia Saunders)
	10:00	Film: *Animal House* (S.K. Film Society) through Sunday, January 11
Monday, January 12	8:30	Film: *Horsefeathers* (S.K. Film Society)
Tuesday, January 13	4:00	Departmental histories
Wednesday, January 14	4:00	Departmental histories
	8:30	Film: *Horsefeathers* (S.K. Film Society)
Thursday, January 15	4:00	Departmental histories
	8:30	Film: *Sterile Cuckoo* (S.K. Film Society)
Friday, January 16	6:00	Dinner for panel participants
	8:00	Alumni panel: Hamilton Social Life — Chapel
	9:30	Reception in Commons with informal concert of school songs (Buffers and Special K)
Saturday, Jaunary 17	2:00	Alumni panel: Academics at Hamilton — Chapel
	8:00	Lecture: Professor Emeritus Otto Liedke — Chapel
	10:00	Film: *Sterile Cuckoo* (S.K. Film Society)
Tuesday, January 20 & Wednesday, January 21	8:30	Inauguration Day Special Film: *Knute Rockne, All-American* (With Ronald Reagan)

Sponsored by the Steering Committee for the On-Campus Co-Curricular Program 1980-81 chairperson, Professor Alma Zook, Physics.

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events

movies

on campus this weekend

S. Kirkland Film Society: *Sleeper.* Friday at 8 and 10 pm in KJ, Saturday at 8 and 10 pm in Science and Sunday at 10 pm in Science.
Co-op Film: *The Gay Divorce.* Saturday at 8 and 10 pm in KJ.
French Club Film: *Shoot The Piano Player.* Directed by Francois Truffaut. With English subtitles. Sunday at 10 pm in KJ.

on campus this week

S. Kirkland Film Society: *What's Up Tiger Lilly?* with Woody Allen. Monday and Tuesday at 9 pm in KJ.
French Club Film: *Shoot the Piano Player.* Monday at 10 pm in KJ.

music

Program Board Beer and Band: The Moth. Binghampton New Wave. Friday at 10 pm in Commons Dining Hall.
Senior Voice Recital: Katherine Lloyd, mezzo-soprano. Sunday at 2:30 pm at Kirkland Arts Center, Clinton.

readings

Christmas Readings by Word's Worth. Saturday at 3:30 pm in Chapel.

exhibitions

Current Birstol Campus Center Exhibition: *Student Art Show.* Closes December 22.
Current Root Art Center Exhibition: *Hamilton College Art Faculty Exhibition.* Closes December 21.

Film Review: Escaping Reality

by David J. Coleman

This weekend the film societies, clearly aware of the need of the student body, bring us two very different ways to escape reality.

Woody Allen's comic adventure into the future, *Sleeper,* is the Samuel Kirkland Film Society's selection this time. In this 1973 release, Allen, as usual, plays the central character; this time he's a wimpy health food store owner who, after unknowingly spending 200 years in suspended animation, finds himself in a sleek ultra-modern society. Like Aldous Huxley, Allen envisions a future in which totalitarianism rules over a populace that is lulled into childlike submission by convenience and sensual pleasure. This backdrop readily avails itself to the comic impulse, and Allen exploits it masterfully. Diane Keaton, whose leading performance really makes the film sparkle, describes her education, which, of course, includes a master's degree in oral sex. Whether this is an M.S. or an M.A. is left for the audience to decide.

Most viewers will find *Sleeper* funny, though I suspect some will find it too silly or slapstick for their taste. The film is generally lacking in the sensitivity and sophistication of Allen's later efforts; it is essentially a series of gags — some very funny, some that invoke only a concessionary chortle, and some that aren't funny at all. In his usual satirical spirit Allen manages to poke fun at almost every element of contemporary culture, from Jewish tailors to the Golden Arches.

The movements and physical pranks in *Sleeper* are straight out of the Charlie Chaplin genre. Like Chaplin in Modern Times, Allen portrays himself as "the little guy" tossed about by a massive technological society. One scene with a giant tape recorder is essentially a remake of the famous scene where Chaplin gets caught up in the gears of a huge factory machine.

If you fine yourself in a mood where laughter will come easily, and you don't mind a little slapstick — go see *Sleeper.*

Are you tired of thinking? Sick of controversy? If so, the Film Coop has an answer in the 1934 Fred Astaire and Ginger Rodgers movie called *The Gay Divorcee.* That title may sound heavy in today's language, but don't let the bastardization deceive you; the most profound question which this film raises is "How do they make their feet do that?"

Fred meets Ginger when her dress gets caught in a foot locker. While trying to help her, he accidentally tears the back of that garment off, exposing her shapely gams. It's love at first sight; but there is a problem, Ginger has a husband somewhere. The plot may not be sensational but the tap dancing is, and the score includes music by Cole Porter among others. Lyrics like "when I see you I feel so let's play housie. When I'm near you I feel so Mickey Mousie" may be just what the book weary student needs to revive his spirits. Corny, yes; banal, yes; sexist, extremely; but lots of people enjoy this sort of film. Besides, movies like this are an important part of our American cultural heritage; one must ask why in the peak of the depression, Americans wanted to make, and watch films of this sort.

During reading period, S.K. will screen another Woody Allen movie, *What's Up Tiger Lily.* Originally a cheap Japanese spy film, Allen cleverly bought the rights and dubbed in his own script. The hero, I am told, spends the entire movie tracking down a top secret potato salad recipe.

Also during reading period The French Club presents *Don't Shoot the Piano Player,* directed by Francois Trauffaut — this highly acclaimed work will be shown free of charge.

Dance Work

by Elizabeth R. Grusky

For the third time this semester, the List Dance Studio was full with an eager audience awaiting the annual Fall Dance Workshop. The workshop, held last Thursday, December 4th and performed both at 7 pm and 8:30 pm, was comprised of dances choreographed and performed by dance students of all levels. There were twelve different pieces, six of which were choreographed and performed by beginners — the other six created by members of the intermediate, advance, and dance composition classes. Professor Jane Tabelin Schwartz also included a segment of a piece performed by several of the dancers.

The evening was a success in every sense: the audiences were enthusiastic and the dancers enjoyed the opportunity to perform for friends in an informal, comfortable atmosphere. The variety of dance styles — classical, modern and tap as well as the music gave the workshop a "smorgasbord style" — something for everybody! The workshop proved to be a profitable learning experience for those performing and watching.

Feast of Carols

by Pam Skripak and Matt Zucker

On Sunday, December 7, the Hamilton Choir, Oratorio Society, and the Clinton Chorus joined other local area singing groups and choruses in a *Feast of Carols* in the Stanley Theatre in Utica.

In addition, the Buffers and Special K singing groups performed before the capacity audience.

The program consisted of each group performing separately. Between groups, the entire audience joined the Utica Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Lee Spear, in traditional Christmas carols. The carols were arranged by Samuel Pellman, composer, and Assistant Professor of Music at Hamilton, for the Orchestra.

The program culminated with the Choir, Oratorio Society, and the Waterville Community Chorus singing three movements of Handel's *Messiah* together, under the direction of Spear.

The afternoon concluded as the audience joined the entire ensemble in the *Hallelujah Chorus.*

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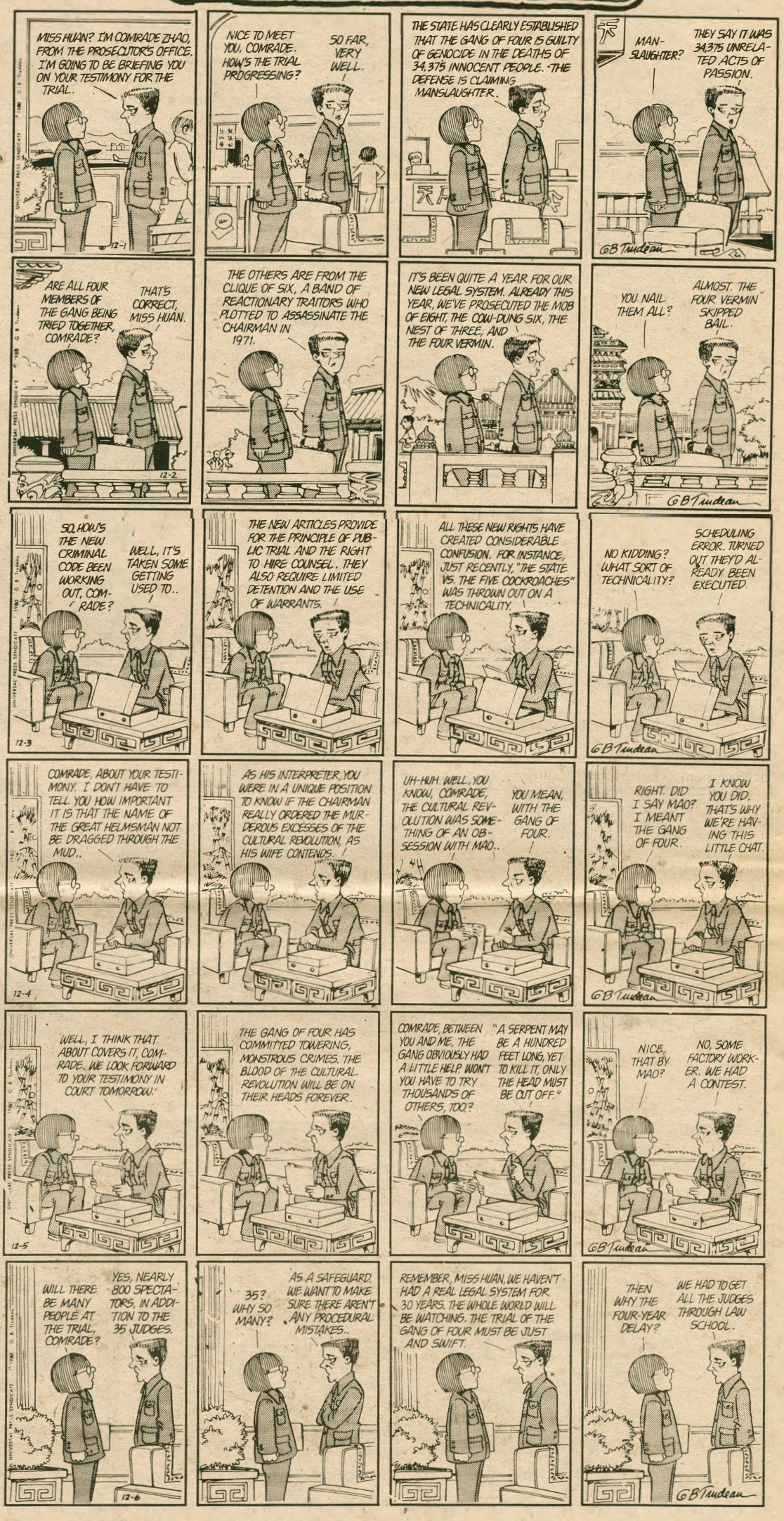
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Preps Prevail

Alligators Run Rampant

by Laurence M. Person

We've all used the word "preppie" to describe a person, a manner of dressing, or a school, but we never seem to know exactly what the word means. Thanks to *The Official Preppie Handbook,* we no longer have to worry about the meaning of "preppiness;" the book completely describes the preppielifestyle, from birth through old age. And, because the book lists Hamilton among the "top ten" preppie schools in the country, people — on and off campus — have taken an interest in what it has to say.

In the section of the book that advises preppies on how to choose and gain admission to acceptable colleges, Hamilton was described as

". . . a lot of preps we know end up at Hamilton."

an "All male school, founded 1793. Tried to make a go with Kirkland College for women, but students hated each other too much. . . . An unusual proportion of students under 5'10". Nine frats."

Although Lisa Birnbach, the book's editor, could not be reached for comment, Gail McCall, editor in charge of the project at Workman Publishing, New York, said that Birnbach obtained information about Hamilton from college guidebooks such as Barron's and Lovejoy's. "I apologize for the factual errors," said McCall, "but in terms of the impressionable errors [such as references to the height of the student body], that's part of the joke." She said Hamilton was ranked as a leading preppie institution because "a lot of preps we know end up at Hamilton. It's a college that attracts people from small New England private schools."

According to Douglas Thompson, Dean of Admission, Birnbach "hasn't done enough research. Her conclusions can't be trusted." He said that a only a quarter to a third of any class here comes from non-public schools.

The Preppy Handbook assumes that "everyone can be upperclass" and it attempts to teach the skills necessary to live such a life. While Birnbach places a great deal of emphasis on clothing, she also talks of such topics as home decor, family relationships, the debutante scene, leisure activities, the proper prep school and college, choosing automobiles and dogs, and the lingo spoken by preppies.

Jaimie Crawford attended South Kent, a school described by the Preppy Handbook as one of "the leaders in Boehmia" — a prep school with a relaxed atmosphere in which the student "is freer to pursue his own initiatives and to develop creatively." "I don't think I am a preppie," he commented. Preppiness, he believes, is "a way of social interaction, the way you talk, dress, act. It comes with the higher income bracket, but people can be preppie who aren't rich. I think Hamilton is preppie and conformist. There's not that much social diversity."

Another student, who asked that his name and alma mater not be mentioned, was elected the most preppie boy at his prep school. "Preppiness is something within your head. It's not a 'look', it's an outlook. I went to a school that was a prep school, but Hamilton is in no way close to it. We're a lot preppier than we were before the merger, but what's coming in is that pseudo prep stuff. People are doing it just to get into the new vogue."

Adam Wichern, a graduate of Deerfield Academy, agrees. "Deerfield was real prep. But here, the student body is more diverse, it doesn't have the same stereotypes. At Hamilton, there's very little school spirit, while at Deerfield, there was a good deal of spirit. We felt, 'Gee, this is a great place, it's good to be here." Wichern said that Preppies are better prepared for college "because they've had experience living on their own. They tend to know themselves a little better."

Another student, Craig Flinner,

". . . what's coming in is that pseudo prep stuff."

St. Paul's School, Baltimore ("the number two prep school in Baltimore"), "hated preppiness when I was in high school, and refused to wear docksiders, wallobies, down vests, bright green pants, and anything with an alligator on it." Hamilton, he said, "has the preppiest public school students I've seen in my life."

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JV Continentals Triumph in O.T. 6-5

by Bill Sayre

On December 9, the Hamilton JV Hockey team met the Rochester Junior Americans, a strong junior team coached by 15-year NHL stand out Ron Schock, and emerged victorious with a 6-5 overtime victory in a scintillating game.

The Continentals fell behind 4-2 after the first period in which they played poorly, especially during a three minute span when Rochester scored three goals. Scott Bartlett put Hamilton within one goal in the second period, his second of the game: he and Steve Garvin scored the two first period goals.

Rochester scored early in the third period to take a 5-3 lead, but that was all the scoring Rochester would do, as Schickler made numerous key saves the rest of the game. Midway through the third period the Continentals roared back with goals from Mike King and Si Hibberson to tie the game at five.

The game went into overtime and each team had several chances to win the game, the best chance coming when Hamilton defenseman George Roebelen ticketed a shot for the far corner of the net, but Rochester goalie Belanca made the save. Then Hamilton's Ted Fava picked up a loose puck along the left wing and absorbed a tremendous hit, as he passed to center Bob Howe who split the Rochester defense and drilled a shot into the lower right corner of the Rochester net at 8:52 of the overtime.

Coach Simon has been initially impressed with the players on the B squad. The attitude and enthusiasm of the players and their desire to win and to improve mechanically has been excellent. Should the team maintain this desire they will do well.

Simon commented after the win over Rochester that 'I was not looking forward to the game because of our overconfidence demonstrated after the big win over Binghamton. We started skating poorly, but as the game progressed our style and form improved tremendously and we dominated the second, third, and overtime periods. It was a good comeback win with a key overtime goal."

Freshman center Bob Howe, who scored the overtime goal, said 'The win against Binghamton did not mean much, but coming from behind against a team like Rochester the way we did showed we have a good team. The way we played in the second, third and overtime periods showed we have good character and don't like to lose."

The junior varsity is looking forward to their game Friday against the Amherst Jrs. at home at 7:30.

Action against the boards

Women Defeat Wells 82-56

by Meredith Moodey

On Thurs. Dec. 4, for the second time in one week, the Women's Swim Team proved itself to be stronger than the competition, by defeating Wells College 82-56.

The freshmen continued their assault on the record books by producing four school bests during the course of the meet. Cathy Tegtmeyer captured Betsy Bacot's two day old record in the 100 yard breaststroke, handing in a time of 1:17.9. Bacot, however, came back to snatch Tegtmeyer's record in the 50 yard breaststroke with a time of :35.7. Once more, freshman Julia Dickenson made her presence felt by winning the 100 yard butterfly in a record setting time of 1:07.7, and by winning the 50 yard freestyle and 50 yard butterfly events. The final record-setting feat was accomplished by Kathy Caulkins, who, in her diving debut as a Hamilton freshman, won and set records in both the optional and the required diving.

The team's efforts were not confined strictly to the record breakers, as evidenced by freshman Helen McGee's first place finishes in the 200 yard I.M. and the 100 yard backstroke, and the first place finishing medly relay team of Imboden, Tegtmeyer, Caulkins, and Lee. Barb Smalley, Karen Brau, and Judy Shoobe also contributed crucial points that helped to make Thursday's win possible.

The swimmers now have until January 10th to prepare for their first home meet against Williams — prehaps the most difficult meet of the season. From the team's performance thus far, it should at least be able to put up a good fight.

Women's swimming action

Squash Enters Tourney

When the men's squash team left the hill on Friday Dec. 5, they were embarking on what they knew would be a long and exhausting, but hopefully enjoyable weekend. They were making their first appearance in the annual Williams College Invitational Squash Tournament, which consisted of playing seven matches over the three day period.

The Continentals were the underdog of the tournament, but were ready for their first shot at some of the top squash schools in the nation. The nine team members who travelled to Williams with first year coach Art Phillips were co-captain Ken Higgins, co-captain John Li, Pete Coffin, Tim Kent, Pete Barnard, Matt Tomaino, Bob Oberrender, Jim Martin, and Phil Constable.

The first match of the weekend for the Conts pitted them against Columbia University, ranked 18th nationally last year. Although tired from the long bus trip and nervous, the Conts put up quite a fight before succumbing 6-3. Victors for Hamilton were No. 5 man Pete Barnard, No. 7 Bob Oberrender, and No. 9 Phil Constable. After a thirty minute rest the Continentals returned to the squash courts to record one of their two upsets of the weekend; the boys in blue destroyed Colby College 9-0.

The tourney continued Saturday morning with the Conts having to face Fordham University, ranked 17th in the country last year. Fordham, who went on to defeat tourney favorite Williams, proved to be too much for the Conts as Fordham won 8-1. The lone winner for Hamilton was Bob Oberrender. Later Saturday the team faced two more teams: 15th ranked Bowdoin College, and 21st ranked Vassar College. The Conts fell by identical 7-2 scores. No. 1 man John Li and No. 4 man Tim Kent were the victors against Bowdoin, while Constable and Kent won against Vasser.

On the final day of the tournament the Conts came out flying as they defeated Cornell University 6-3. Li, Ken Higgins, Barnard, Oberrender, Martin, and Constable were the victors in the win against the Big Red. The tourney ended as Williams handed the Conts a 7-2 defeat. Martin and Constable recorded wins for Hamilton. The Continentals are off until January 14th when Hobart College (ranked 20th last year) rolls into town with their 5 match winning streak against Hamilton on the line.

COURT SHORTS: Every coach at the tourney commented on the drastic improvement of the Hamilton squad as compared to last year's "club" version.

Pete Coffin and Phil Constable defeated numerous opponents as they controlled the football table in Williams' student center Saturday night.

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Hockey Drops Three

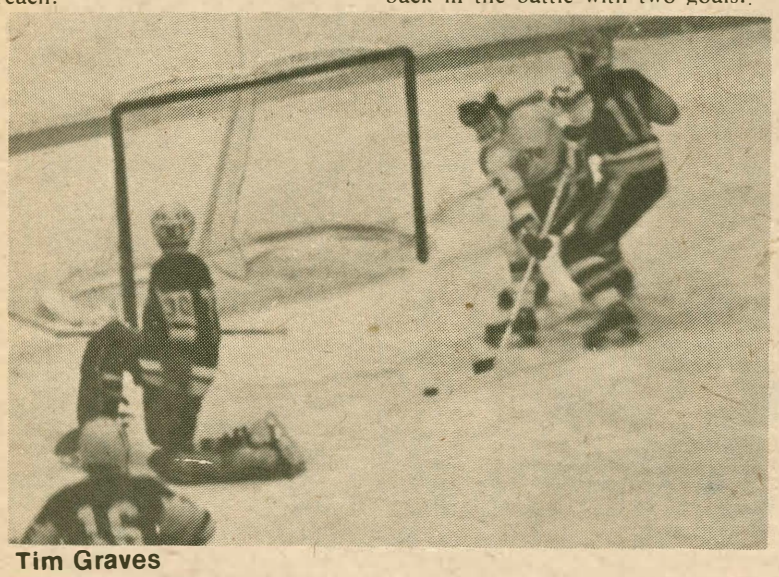
by Bill Bruce

The Hamilton College Varsity hockey team dropped three games last week. Last Friday night the Continentals fell to Norwich University, 7-4. The following evening a hustling Middlebury club defeated the Blue, 4-2. The highlight of the week was a 9-6 loss to Colgate.

In the Norwich game Hamilton fought back to within one goal, 5-4, only to have Norwich score two goals to put the contest out of reach.

The first period ended with Norwich on top, 2-1. Jim Wall tallied the Continental goal. The second period saw the teams trade goals. Rick Allen evened the score at 2-2. Norwich's Jay Rice gave his team a 3-2 lead on a goal from in close.

Scoring two goals in the first two minutes of the third period, Norwich began to take control of the contest. However, freshman Mike Marta put the Continentals right back in the battle with two goals.



Tim Graves

On the first goal he was assisted by Jim Pollan and Jim Wall. Paul Pillmore and Jim Pollan received assists on Marta's second goal. Norwich pulled away from Hamilton with a goal at 10:47 by Tom O'Hear. The seventh Norwich tally was scored late in the game by Bergholtz.

The Middlebury contest was an exhibition of hard skating. Middlebury went out in front on a goal by sophomore Paul Leahy. The Blue came back one minute later on a nice goal by Rick Allen with assists to Mike Denk and Paul Pillmore. Dan Higgins put the Vermont squad back out front with an unassisted goal. Mike Marta evened the count at 2-2 with a goal late in the first period.

Middlebury tallied twice in the second frame to take a 4-2 lead. Hamilton was shut out the rest of the game on a good effort by goalie Mike McNamera and the Middlebury defense.

In both the Norwich and Middlebury games Hamilton did not finish off its scoring chances. The losses were the result of the opponent taking advantage of Hamilton's lapses, while the Blue couldn't register on their opportunities. However, the squad skated well and goalie Mike Cassier looked sharp.

The Colgate contest was a wonderful display of hockey. The Continentals gave a gutsy effort, but simply ran out of gas in the third period.

Colgate opened the scoring in the first period on a goal by Houle. Hamilton surprised everyone in Sage Rink with two goals in the middle of the frame. Marta pulled the Blue even with a goal at 11:36.

Mike Sparky Marta knots up game

Wall gave the Continentals their only lead on a nice goal at 12:58. The period ended with the Blue out front, 2-1.

The second period featured more classic hockey. Colgate regained the lead early in the second period with goals by Gertsakis and Wallace. The irrepressible Marta scored his seventh goal of the season to tie the score at three apiece. The home crowd roared its approval and added a further touch by tossing tennis balls onto the ice. Colgate put two quick goals by Cassier near the end of the period to take a 5-3 lead into the locker room.

The third period was a scoring spree. Colgate started the barrage at 1:21 on a goal by Fridgen. Steve Carman made it 6-4 on a pretty set up by Tim Graves and Rick Allen. The Continentals' arch-rival iced the game on goals by Iselmore and Renaud. The Blue were not quite through, however. Carl Nasto scored his first goal of the campaign to make it 8-5. Wallace gave Colgate a four goal lead with his second goal of the game. Mike Denk ended the scoring at 19:12 with a blazing shot over Colgate goaltender Terry McSweeney's shoulder.

Even though the Blue lost the contest one can only praise them for their efforts. They played a hustling, spirited brand of hockey. Paul Pillmore was solid on defense despite playing with a sore shoulder. The offense forechecked well and did a fine job capitalizing on their scoring opportunities.

A Hamilton fan summed up the game with this remark to Wall after the game, "Great job, Jim. You guys played a game and a half."

The squad travels to Oswego for a game this Saturday night.

Basketball cont'd

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respectively. They also combined for 24 rebounds. Bruce Weir once again was a solid performer with 12 points and numerous clutch plays.

AROUND THE RIM:

--The tourney all-star team was made up of Ron Whitehead of Utica, Jones and Bucky Strong of Buffalo and Bruce Weir, Kevin Grimmer. The MVP was Ron Evans, who finished with 32 points, 15 rebounds, 9 assists, and a number of steals in the two games.

--Coach Tom Murphy was typically understated after the game. "I thought we did well. We're getting there."

--The match with R.I.T. on Wednesday is a tough one. R.I.T. has taken Hamilton the last two years, which is something few other teams boast.

--Due to the unusual schedule, the Conts will be on the road for 9 of the next 10 games with Hobart on January 20th the next home game.

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Ron Evans converted one of two foul shots to give Hamilton a 58-57 victory over Rochester Institute of Technology, at Rochester on Wednesday night. Kevin Grimmer was the star of the game, as he scored 22 points and pulled down 17 rebounds. At halftime, Hamilton trailed 35-28. In the second half, led by Charles Robinson and Ron Evens, Hamilton surged to a 50-48 lead, with less than 8 minutes to go in the game. With 14 seconds left, Rochester tied the score at 57. Evans, in an attempt to score the winning basket, was fouled, and his foul shot accounted for the one point win.

Following the game, Murphy said that Evans missed the second foul shot purposely, in order to let the clock run out. For the Continentals, who are now 4-0, this was the first victory against RIT in three season. Hamilton will resume their seasons at the Utica Basketball tournament in January.

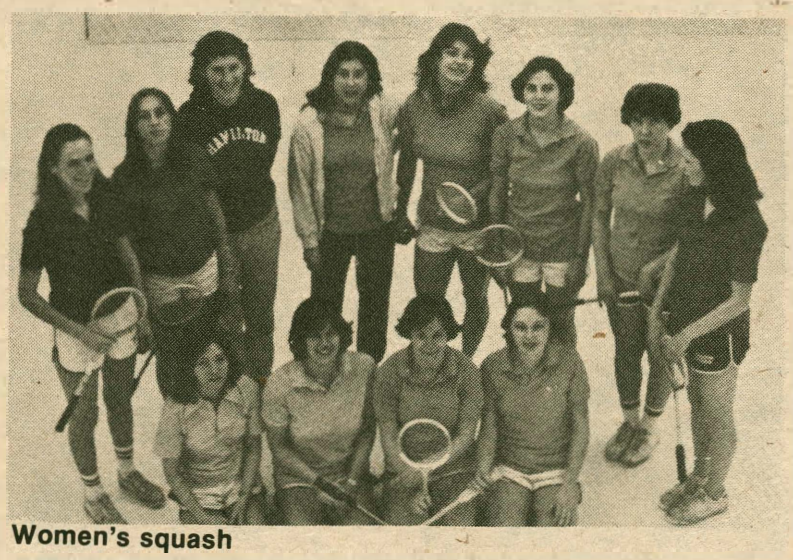
Squash Women Open Well

by Dave Davis

Although this is only the first year for Varsity Women's Squash, the team has recorded two consecutive duel meet victories in their first two matches. On Saturday, December 6th, the Continentals narrowly squeaked by powerful Middlebury 4-3, and on Monday, the squashies easily handled rival Colgate 6-1.

Middlebury, a "strong team with good players," according to Coach Sue Spencer, had tied the match at 3 games apiece going into the seventh and deciding game. Kate Wallace, the number one seed player for Hamilton, controlled the final match from the onset and won handily in three straight games 15-9, 15-4, 15-11 to ice the victory. The three other Continental victories all were in the fourth or fifth game which helps indicate how close the entire meet was. Cathy Tuttle, the number four see, was victorious 10-15, 15-8, 15-10, 15-8. Alex Huston kept her composure after she lost her 2-0 game advantage to win in five games 18-16

While the Winter Sports Schedule listed that the team would only have four dual meets for the season, it seems now that there will be ten dual meets and possibly three tournaments. In January, Hamilton will face William Smith, University of Rochester, and Williams, who may be, according to Spencer, "the toughest oponent of the year." February will bring the team five more duals — William Smith again, Cornell, University of Rochester, Vassar, and Colgate. In March, the team



Women's squash

,15-12, 14-16, 11-15, 15-7 at the number five position. Jessie Gilbert, who according to Coach Spencer has shown "tremendous improvement," fell behind 2-1; yet, she came back to win the next two games and the match 15-12, 13-15, 12-15, 15-6, 15-5.

In contrast, the Colgate meet was a nearly perfect on for the Continentals as they won 6-1. Because Colgate's squad is a club and because they did not have a full team, the match was one-sided. Wallace, number two seed Amy Lesser, no. 3 Kathy Hoare, Tuttle, Juston, and no. 7 seed Susan Paine all had impressive triumphs.

will travel to Toronto for the Can-Am Tournament, and they may compete in the Howe Cup Tournament at Yale. One disadvantage is that the squad will loose the services of co-captain Amy Lesser, who will not be at Hamilton because of a second semester leave. However, to offset this loss, they will probably have Erica Silbersher ready to play.

Perhaps the biggest plus for this young team is the players themselves. As Spencer commented, "These players are so dedicated and want to learn so much about the sport that they have made themselves into quality squash players."

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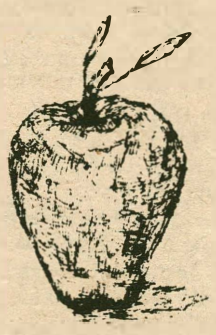

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Spectator Sports

Basketball Captures Tip-Off Tourney

Robinson Paces Hamilton

by Phil Greenough

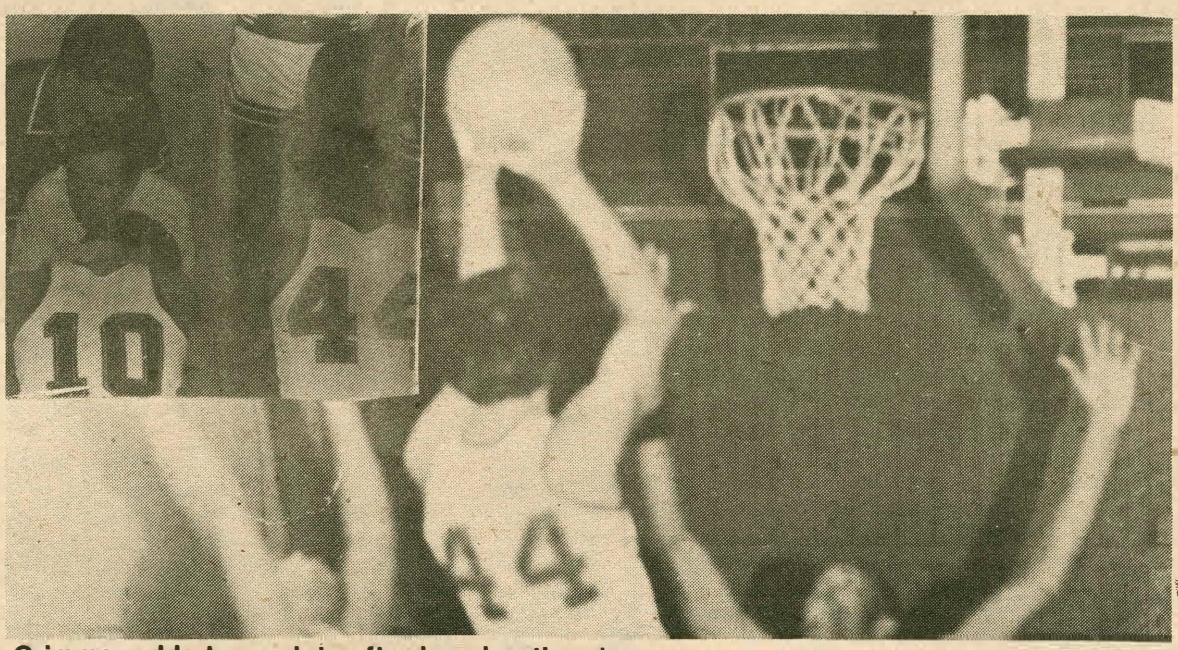
The Hamilton College Continentals found a lucky number this weekend in their Tip-Off Tourney. Consecutive 79 point outputs in victories over Utica College (79-59) and Buffalo State (79-68) was all it required to bring the title to Clinton.

Both Hamilton and Buffalo had relatively easy victories over Utica and Oswego respectively, to set up a final round confrontation on Sunday night.

In the first game, Buffalo held a narrow 27-25 halftime lead over Oswego, yet Barry Davis (15 points and 4 assists) and Herman Jones (14 points and 10 rebounds) sparked the Bengals as they pulled away to a 71-58 final margin in an uneventful encounter.

Hamilton followed with a decisive victory over the Utica Pioneers. Larry Costello brought in a large reputation as a coach and a team with little talent. Hamilton placed twelve men in the box scores as they raced to a 79-59 victory. The Conts led 39-23 at the half and, at one point, they led 51-27 with about 15 minutes remaining.

However, foul trouble plagued the Conts as Kevin Grimmer and Charles Robinson fouled out with 4 minutes to go. Utica made a short run behind Ron Whitehead and Ed Gruner to cut the lead to 9 points. With reserves Mark Burnham, Nat Hunter, and Tim Hale doing solid work, the Conts survived the attack.



Grimmer adds two points after learning the play.

As co-captain Grimmer noted, "Even when I fouled out, I felt pretty confident because I knew Nat, Mark and Tim could do the job. They didn't just stop the U.C. rally, they also helped build the lead back up."

Once again Ron Evans and Grimmer led Hamilton. In what is becoming a typical Evans effort, the sophomore scored 22 points, grabbed 8 rebounds, stole 5 and had 5 assists, while Grimmer had 18 points and 10 rebounds.

Sunday night's match with Buffalo loomed as Hamilton's stiffest in this young season. The Bengals were big — with two starters at 6'6" — and quick. But the biggest man on the court was Hamilton's Charles Robinson. The Jamaica N.Y. native, Robinson, exploded for 29 points along with 10 rebounds in his finest effort in a Hamilton uniform. After a disappointing effort versus Utica, Robinson knew he had to improve.

"I got a little too psyched for the first game and I couldn't do anything right," Robinson said. "I knew I had something to prove against Buffalo, but I also knew I had to relax."

With about 10 minutes gone in the first half, however, it looked like Buffalo's Barry Davis would steal the show. Davis was red-hot from the start as he scored a 3 point play, and two consecutive hoops, to give State an early 11-6 lead. Teammate Joe Mulcahy (16 points) hit his second hoop and then Davis went on a tear. He scored five straight baskets on a variety of jump shots. The hot-shooting Davis had 17 of Buffalo's first 25 points.

Hamilton and Buffalo were flirting with the lead when the Conts called time out with 6:45 remaining. Murphy got the troops in order and they went on a spree outscoring Buffalo 14-6 to open up a 41-33 halftime cushion. Ron Evans (who else?) led the attack with 8 points on a couple of jumpshots, a steal for a lay-up, and a pair of foul shots.

It seemed as though Davis and Evans would be the game's forces, yet surprisingly both players only scored 2 points in the second half. Meanwhile Robinson was quietly chipping in 10 points which was in itself a great reversal for his 3 point effort against Utica. Little did anyone know what he had in store for Buffalo in the second half.

Robinson began the second half with a 15 foot jump shot as Hamilton maintained its 9 point margin. Then Mulcahy hit an assortment of jumpers and drives as Buffalo narrowed the lead to 56-52 with 8:29 to go.

Buffalo also continued to make a comeback despite the efforts of Robinson, who had almost half of Hamilton's second half point total. With 4:50 remaining, Herman Jones knotted the score at 60 with a medium-range jumper. Robinson hit 1 of 2 throw attempts for his 20th point. Both teams exchanged turnovers to set up perhaps the most crucial play of the game.

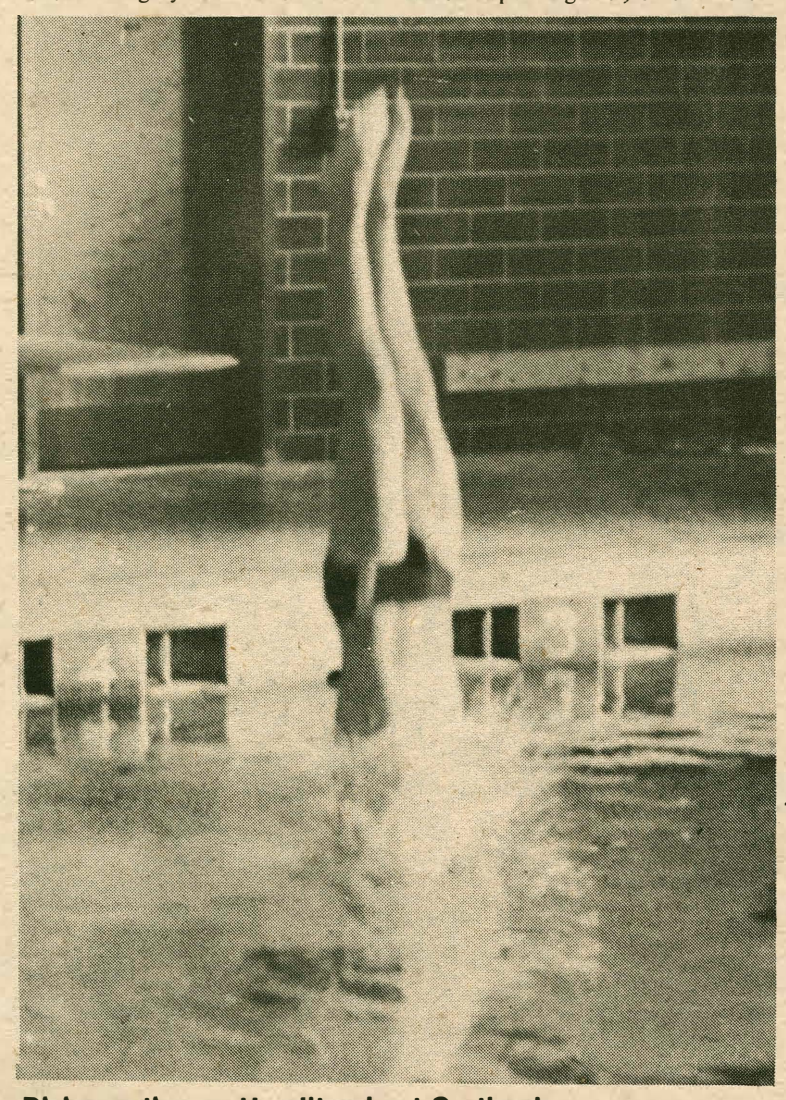
Hamilton was running its effective delay offense but Bruce Weir was called for a second violation resulting in a jump ball. Weir controlled the tap and Kevin Grimmer followed an Evans miss with a 3 point play to give the Conts a 67-62 lead. Robinson scored 6 more, Weir 2, and Grimmer the final 4 points from the foul line to seal the victory.

In the decisive 2nd half, Robinson had 19 and Grimmer 12 points to give them 29 to 22,

Swimmers Stun Cortland

by David Davis

After whipping RPI in the season opener, the Men's Swim team routed highly-touted Cortland State 72-39 in the home opener last Saturday. The victory not only raised their record to 2-0, but was sweet revenge for last year's defeat to the Red Dragons. The Continentals won nine of eleven individual events and captured both relays.



Diving action as Hamilton beat Cortland

Before the season began, Coach Eric MacDonald was quoted as saying that "The outcome of this season depends greatly on the Cortland meet." "The swimmers went into intense training, and, partially because of the success at RPI, they also had a "positive attitude." Tri-captain Norm Lyster commented that the team was "really psyched and prepared" for the Cortland meet, and this heavy preparation showed.

In front of a large and noisy crowd, the Continentals took the 400 yard medley relay in 3:46.5 to start the meet. Lyster himself then extended the lead with a powerful victory in the 1000 yard freestyle in 10:25.3. Following a close Cortland victory in the 200 yard freestyle, Hamilton reeled off six straight wins: Emmet Reid captured the 50 yard freestyle, Lyster won again in the 200 yard individual medley, All-American Ed Ptak decisively triumphed in the One Meter Diving (Required), freshman Bob Lucas came on with a very strong triumph in the 200 yard butterfly, Reid won again in the 100 yard freestyle and Adam Cowless prevailed in the 200 yard backstroke. Following Cortland's other victory, Ptak electrified the crowd with another win in the Optional One Meter diving, Bob Black took the 200 yard breaststroke in 2:23.6, and the Continentals won the 400 yard freestyle relay to round out the scoring.

While the start has been very encouraging, the Continentals will be facing some extremely tough opponents. On January 10th, the Ephmen of Williams will come to Clinton. Last year, Williams triumphed; however, tri-captain Dave Conn feels that "The team is finally coming together and we've got some momentum." Other advantages are the fact that the meet is at home and that the team is planning to return early from Christmas vacation in order to work out.

Looking farther ahead, Hamilton will have difficult times against Division I squads Colgate and St. Bonaventure and against Division III school, St. Lawrence. If Hamilton wins two of these four and beat their other opponents, they will finish at 8-2, a vast improvement over last year's 6-4 mark.

Women Triumph

by Carol D. Peterson

Bouncing back from its earlier disappointing loss this season, the women's basketball team decisively beat its last three opponents.

On Saturday, December 6, Hamilton played host to Middlebury. Last year the contest with Middlebury was a close 76-82, but this year the Continentals had no trouble demolishing them 79-49. Middlebury only lost one player for this year's squad, but Hamilton has gained new competitors and increased its skills.

Hamilton ran the offense and registered more shots than Middlebury, especially in the second half of the game. Even the 31-18 first half score was indicative of the final result. Freshman Resa Alvord scored 17 total points, including 7 field goals. Mary Sheehan scored 13 points and Kim Swank added 11.

High scorers for Middlebury were Debby Shelton, (24), and Ty Kennedy, (18).

Monday, away at Clarkson, the women played a physical and exciting game. Although Clarkson's percentage of free throws made was greater than Hamilton's, the Continentals were ahead 25-21 at halftime.

Sophomore Julie Chanatry registered 18 total points and 19 rebounds. Clarkson's Cindy Justason scored 19 points for the squad. The incident that concerned Hamilton players was the injury to junior captain Marra Harris. Up until that point in the game, the Continentals held a comfortable 12 point lead. Afterwards, team morale was lowered and some effectiveness was gone, but Hamilton maintained its lead and won, 53-50.

In the most recent game against SUNY/Utica Wednesday night, Hamilton players displayed sharpened skill and teamwork. The SUNY squad, composed of juniors and seniors, was no great obstacle for the Hamilton women; they easily beat their opponent, 79-49.

The first score came from Mary Sheehan after two and a half minutes of play. Sheehan played excellent defense, blocking many of the opponents' passes and shots. Leading scorer was Julie Chanatry with 15 points. Joan Randolph made several nice passes to set up Chanatry's scoring efforts.

Because Hamilton was able to gain a substantial 40-16 first half lead, Coach Janice Savitz substituted players to give all a chance to play.

SUNY started to get more agressive in the second half, creating anxiety on the Hamilton squad. However, despite this counter scoring effort, Joan Randolph and lisa King tallied several points for Hamilton. In addition, sophomore Michele Ridgeway scored on five of her nine attempted free throws.

This impressive victory registers as nine straight in home games for the women. They look to continue their winning streak in January when their next opponent will be William Smith College.

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